

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians**

**Legal Legislative Committee**

Regina Gasco-Bentley, Chairperson

Winnay Wemigwase, Secretary

Aaron Otto, Member

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**MINUTES**

**May 9, 2013**

**Call to Order: 10:09 a.m.**

**Committee Member Roll Call:**

Present: Chairperson Gasco-Bentley, Secretary Wemigwase and Councilor Otto.

Tribal Council Members Present: Councilor Denemy

**Legislative Office Staff Present:**

Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick and Legislative Administrative Assistant Yvonne McShane were present.

**Executive Officials and Staff Present:**

Elders Outreach Coordinator: Tamela Okuly and Planning/Mobility Coordinator: Ellie Payton.

**Guests:** William Denemy Sr., Janice Shackleford, Emily Harrington, Virginia Lewis

**Adoption of Agenda:**

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Secretary Wemigwase to adopt the agenda of May 9, 2013 with additions.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0 -Absent

Motion Carried.

**Minutes:**

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Secretary Wemigwase to approve the minutes of April 18, 2013.

Vote: 3 -Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

Motion Carried.

**General Business:**

The Elders statute was discussed in great length. Tami Okuly educated everyone on how the various departments work and the necessity of have a separate department for the elders.

**Motion** by Chairman Gasco-Bentley and supported by Secretary Wemigwase to recommend that Council pass the Kikaajik (Elder's Department) statute.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0 -Absent

Motion Carried

Ellie Payton came and discussed Transportation Grant and how we plan or not plan to sign off on the 'Civil Rights' requirement. This will be discussed at the next meeting on Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm.

A Webinar was presented on the Tribal Tax Initiative.

There was a final Discussion about the Negotiation Statute.

Motion by Secretary Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Otto to recommend that Council pass the Negotiation statute.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0 -Absent

Motion Carried

Public Comment: 3:41 p.m. No comment.  
Public comment closed at 3:41 p.m.

**Adjourn:**

Motion made by Secretary Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Otto to adjourn meeting at 3:47p.m.

Vote: -Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

Motion Carried.